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SUBJECT: SECRETARY'S BILATERAL DISCUSSIONS IN NEW YORK

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1. WE ASSUME AFC EXTENSION, GIBRALTAR AND PRESIDENT NIXON'S TRIP TO EUROPE WILL BE AMONG SUBJECTS WHICH LOPEZ RODO MAY WISH RAISE WITH SECRETARY DURING UNGA BILATERAL (REF A).

2. WE WISH TO PREPARE COMPREHENSIVE TALKING POINTS PAPER FOR BILATERAL DISCUSSION (REFS B AND C) AND REQUEST EM-BASSY'S ASSESSMENT OF FOLLOWING QUESTIONS, AMONG OTHERS: IS LOPEZ RODO LIKELY TO BRING UP ANY OF THE BILATERAL ECONOMIC QUESTIONS RAISED DURING HIS RECENT VISIT TO WASHINGTON (BILATERAL TRADE IMBALANCE, SHOES, TRADE BILL, SOYBEANS, MERCURY DISPOSAL, PREFERENCES, ETC.)? CONCERNING EXTENSION 1970 AGREEMENT, DO YOU EXPECT THAT LOPEZ

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RODO WILL DO MORE AT THIS TIME THAN REITERATE GOS OBJECTIVE

OF TREATY WITH SECURITY GUARANTEE? IS HE LIKELY TO RAISE
NPW PROBLEMS, OR MIGHT LIABILITY GUARANTEE ISSUE RECEDE INTO
BACKGROUND NOW THAT LOPEZ BRAVO, AUTHOR OF SPANISH LEGIS-
LATION ON THIS SUBJECT, IS OUT? WILL LOPEZ RODO WISH DIS-
CUSS TIMING AND VENUE OF NEGOTIATIONS?

3. WE WOULD PREFER NO NEW APPROACH TO LOPEZ RODO OR
MFA IN ANSWERING ABOVE QUESTIONS. FYI NO FINAL DECISION
YET TAKEN WITH RESPECT TO NEW SECRETARY'S BILATERAL
APPOINTMENT SCHEDULE IN NEW YORK. REQUEST FOR MEETING
WITH LOPEZ RODO HAS BEEN MADE, BUT AMBASSADOR SHOULD BE
AWARE THAT SECRETARY'S SCHEDULE WILL NOT BE FINAL FOR
SOME TIME. ROGERS

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